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SUBJECT: U.S. TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT

REFTEL: STATE 269736

1. TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT, TSCA, AS DESCRIBED IN
REFTEL ESTABLISHES MAJOR NEW AREA OF U.S. GOVERNMENT
RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT
AGAINST HAZARDS OF CHEMICALS AND OTHER TOXIC SUBSTANCES.
THE HUGE NUMBERS OF CHEMICALS CURRENTLY USED, DIFFICULTIES
IN EVALUATING POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO
INDIVIDUAL SUBSTANCES AND GENERAL LACK OF ADEQUATE DATA
IN THIS FIELD ALL COMBINE TO MAKE IMPLEMENTATION OF
STATUTE AN IMPOSING CHALLENGE.

2. THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) HAS
PREPARED A DRAFT DOCUMENT (BEING)POUCHED) WHICH
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SUGGESTS POSSIBLE APPROACHES TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
TSCA. THE PURPOSE OF THIS DRAFT IS TO STIMULATE COMMENTS
FROM ALL INTERESTED PARTIES INCLUDING FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS
AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO HELP THE AGENCY DEVELOP
AN OVERALL STRATEGY FOR CARRYING OUT THE ACT.

3. ACTION: REQUEST POSTS INFORM APPROPRIATE HOST

GOVERNMENT MINISTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
OF PUBLIC MEETING TO SOLICIT COMMENTS ON THE STRATEGY,
MARCH 22 - 23 IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

4. WE WOULD LIKE TO OBTAIN WRITTEN COMMENTS FROM FOREIGN
GOVERNMENTS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS BY APRIL 15 AND
WOULD ALSO WELCOME ATTENDANCE AND COMMENT, IF POSSIBLE,
AT MARCH 22 - 23 MEETING. WRITTEN COMMENTS SHOULD BE SENT
TO: ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRATOR FOR INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES
(A-106), ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, 401 M STREET,
S. W., WASHINGTON, D. C. 20460.

5. NOTE: MAJOR TRADING NATIONS AND THOSE WITH ACTIVE EN-
VIRONMENTAL MOVEMENTS WILL OF COURSE HAVE GREATEST INTEREST
IN COMMENTING ON NEW LAW. POSTS SHOULD EMPHASIZE THAT TSCA
HAS MAJOR INTERNATIONAL IMPLICATIONS AND THAT THIS PUBLIC
MEETING AND COMMENT PERIOD PROVIDE BEST OPPORTUNITY FOR
CONCERNED FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZA-
TIONS TO MAKE VIEWS KNOWN.
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